Summer 2020 Supplemental Grant UTAH OFFICE OF CHILD CARE

The Utah Office of Child Care (OCC) has a new summer grant opportunity to support programs for school-age children.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 5 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2020.





BACKGROUND:

The COVID-19 pandemic has generated an increased need for summer programs for school-age children. Parents need a safe environment for their children to socialize and reduce spring and summer learning loss. OCC recognizes the many challenges organizations face in opening summer programs due to new health and safety protocols and low enrollment. The Summer 2020 Supplemental Grant provides funding to address these concerns, so families statewide have options for summer programs.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY:



This grant opportunity is for license-exempt programs, including Workforce Services-approved programs, with a facility number issued by the Child Care Licensing program. Interested applicants who do not have license-exempt status must apply with the Child Care Licensing program.

Eligible programs will enter into a contract with OCC that will include, but not be limited to, the following program requirements:

- Implement health and safety protocols and practices required by the <u>Child Care Licensing program</u>, or more restrictive requirements set by local health authorities
- Provide regular, formally-supervised summer programs for youth ages
 5-12 for a minimum of eight hours per day, Monday through Friday
- Maintain a minimum Average Daily Attendance (ADA) of 15 per contracted group

HOW TO APPLY: Complete the <u>Summer 2020 Supplemental Grant Application</u> for each program site.

Learn more about the summer grant by reviewing the Summer 2020 Supplemental Grant FAQs updated regularly. Submit questions to dws-occafterschoolgrants@utah.gov.



FUNDING:



Organizations can apply to receive **\$4,500 per week,** per group of 18 school-age youth in their programs, with a maximum of three groups per program site. The total award amount will be based on the number of groups the organization intends to serve (1-3) and the number of weeks the program will operate (6-10).



Organizations must submit **one application per site** for which they are seeking funding.



Organizations are **encouraged to pay staff an enhanced rate** of \$15 per hour for the summer program with this grant.



This is a non-competitive grant opportunity. This grant provides funding to help ensure there is at least one summer program operating in every county, so the number of awards in each county will be limited. It is expected that summer programs and the existing system of private child care providers will provide options for parents seeking summer programs for their school-age children.



Summer 2020 Supplemental Grants will be awarded in the order in which the applications for grants are received until the number of awards in each county are filled. OCC may adjust the number of groups for which an organization can receive funding to ensure there is adequate summer programming available throughout the state.



Funding will include one planning week, if needed. Applicants will be asked to indicate the start date of their program.

Funding will be available to programs starting
June 15, 2020.

